

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH  
MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (L1) DEPARTMENT

**ABSTRACT**

Public Services - MA & UD Department - Sri J. Sankaraiah, the then Municipal Commissioner, Samalkot Municipality - Imposed punishment of stoppage of one increment without cumulative effect - Appeal Petition - Allowed - Further action dropped - Orders - Issued.

**G.O.Rt.No.  
2009**

**Date: -02-**

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**Read the following:**

- 1) G.O.Ms.No.910, MA & UD (L2) Dept., dated 31-02-2009.
- 2) From Sri J. Sankaraiah, the then Municipal Commissioner, Samalkot Municipality Review Petition dated 13-02-2009.

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**O R D E R:**

In the reference 1<sup>st</sup> read above, punishment of stoppage of one increment without cumulative effect was inflicted against Sri J. Sankaraiah, the then Municipal Commissioner, Samalkot Municipality in connection with missing of Bank cheques and amount drawn by the outsiders with forged signature of Municipal Commissioner in Samalkot Municipality.

2. In the reference 2<sup>nd</sup> read above, Sri J. Sankaraiah, the then Municipal Commissioner, Samalkot Municipality has submitted appeal petition against the said penalty. In the appeal petition, he has submitted that the Enquiry Officer in his findings held that the loss of cheques is only due to some mischief played by outsiders who are frequently coming to the Municipal Office in the guise of gentlemen with some request or other. But he attributes total responsibility on the Municipal Commissioner as he has to prevent unauthorized persons entering into office is not appropriate as the observation is far from the reality and contrary to the practical management practices. The Enquiry Officer has also held that the Municipal Commissioner has to look after on maintenance of MV Register, other record and reconciliation work tallying entries is not appropriate. In this connection, he has

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submitted that the Enquiry Officer himself observed that the post of Accountant and Manager are vacant since 1997 and the said force are arranged as in charge arrangements, therefore the Municipal Commissioner alone is not responsible. The Enquiry Officer himself have emphasized the mandate of the Banker on honouring the forged cheque and appreciated check measures taken by the Municipal Commissioner. He has therefore requested to reconsider the decision on imposition of penalty and set aside orders of minor punishment in view of recovery of entire amount of Rs.1,69,750/- and there is no financial loss to the Municipality because of his prompt action.

3. After examination of the contentions of Sri J. Sankaraiah, the then Municipal Commissioner, Samalkot Municipality in the Appeal Petition, it has been decided to take a lenient view on Sri J. Sankaraiah, the then Municipal Commissioner, Samalkot Municipality, therefore, the Appeal Petition filed by him is allowed duly rescinding the orders issued in the reference 1<sup>st</sup> read above and drop further action against him.

4. Accordingly, Government hereby allow the appeal filed by Sri J. Shankaraiah, the then Municipal Commissioner, Samalkot Municipality duly rescinding the orders issued in the reference 1<sup>st</sup> read above and drop further action against him.

5. The Commissioner & Director of Municipal Administration, Hyderabad shall take necessary action the matter.

To

Sri J. Shankaraiah, the then Municipal Commissioner, Samalkot

Municipality through Commissioner & Director of Municipal  
Administration, Hyderabad  
The Commissioner & Director of Municipal Administration, A.P.,  
Hyderabad.